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SOME USSR PETROLEUM ENTERPRISES FALL BELOW SCHEDULE

[Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.]

For every 100 tons of petroleum extracted in the USSR before World War II, 121 tons are now being extracted.⁽¹⁾ However, some Azerbaydzhan petroleum industry enterprises are lagging. Thirty-one of the 73 oil fields, and 168 of the 275 brigades, failed to complete the 1950 state plan for petroleum extraction. Only half of the 16 drilling offices of the Azneft' and Azmorneft' associations fulfilled the 1950 plan, and some sections lagged even in outstanding trusts which fulfilled both the plan and their above-plan pledges.

Five of the Leninneft' Trust's 14 oil fields and 28 of its 66 brigades failed to complete the state plan and not one of the prospecting trusts of the Azneft' Association carried out the 1950 program. The plan for oil-well sinking was completed only 70.3 percent. Construction work lagged. The Azerbaydzhan Territorial Construction Administration and the Baku Construction and Assembly Trust did particularly bad work during 1950. In January, poor work continued in the Azerbaydzhan area when only eight of the 12 trusts comprising the Azneft' Association fulfilled the January state plan. In this case, the laggards were the Stalinneft', Leninneft', Kirovabadneft' and Neftechalanneft' trusts. (2)

However, the Kaganovichneft' Trust of the Azneft' Association was able to fulfill the 1950 year plan ahead of schedule because of the good work of oil fields No 1 through 5. The poor work of oil fields No 6 and 7 prevented the trust from fulfilling its above-plan pledges. Even in the outstanding oil fields of the Kaganovichneft' Trust some brigades did not perform according to schedule. The trust's office for the capital repair of oil wells and the transport office are functioning badly.(3) The Kirovneft' Trust of the same association also succeeded in fulfilling the 1950 plan ahead of schedule.(2)

The VTsSPS (All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions) and the Ministry of the Petroleum Industry have examined the results of the all-union socialist competition among petroleum enterprises for the fourth quarter of 1950. Sixteen

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enterprises were awarded the Transferable Red Banner of the Council of Ministers USSR and first prizes. Among these were the Stalinneft' Trust, oil field No 6 of the Leninneft' Trust, the tractor office of the same trust, all connected with the Azneft' Association, oil field No 1 of the Bashneft' Association, oil field No 2 of the Oktyabr'neft' Trust of the Grozneft' Association, the Bavly oil field of the Tatneft' Association, the carbon black plants of the Ukgaz Association, the Leningrad Coke Gas Plant, the Moscow Borets Plant, and the Baku Machine Building Plant imeni Leytenant Shmidt.

Fourteen oil fields, plants, administrations, and bases were awarded the Transferable Red Banner of the VTsSPS and the Ministry of the Petroleum Industry.(4)

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